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in acts of heroism involving conflict with an armed enemy. It was originally worn only on the suspension and service ribbons of the Bronze Star Medal to denote an award made for heroism (valor). Effective February 29, 1964, the "V" device was also authorized for wear on the Air Medal and Army Commendation Medal for heroic acts or valorous deeds not warranting awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross or the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device. Effective June 25, 1963, the "V" device was authorized additionally for wear on the Joint Service Commendation Medal when the award is for acts of valor (heroism) during participation in combat operations. In the case of multiple "V" devices for the same award, only one "V" device is worn on the service ribbons.

(d) *"M" device.* The "M" (Mobilization) Device is a bronze letter, M, 1/4-inch high with serifs at the bottom of the members. It is authorized for wear on the Armed Forces Reserve Medal by members of the Reserve Components who are called or who volunteer and serve on active duty in support of specific U.S. Military operations or contingencies designated by the Secretary of Defense, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 101(a) (13). AGR members who receive orders changing their current duty status (legal authority under which they perform duty), their duty location, or assignment to support a contingency operation are also eligible for award of the "M" Device.

(e) *Clasps.* They are authorized for wear on the Army Good Conduct Medal, World War I Victory Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, and Antarctica Service Medal. All clasps, except the Army Good Conduct Medal clasp, are worn only on the suspension ribbon of the medal. The clasps are described as follows:

(1) The Army Good Conduct Medal clasp is a bar 1/8-inch by 1 3/8 inches, of bronze, silver or gold, with loops indicative of each period of service. Paragraph 4-9 describes the clasps authorized for second and subsequent awards of the Army Good Conduct Medal.

(2) The World War I Victory Medal battle clasps is a bronze bar 1/8-inch by 1 1/2 inches with the name of the cam-

paign or the words "Defensive Sector," and with a star at each end of the inscription. The campaigns are as follows:

- (i) Cambrai;
- (ii) Somme, Defensive;
- (iii) Lys;
- (iv) Aisne;
- (v) Montdidier-Noyon;
- (vi) Champagne-Marne;
- (vii) Aisne-Marne;
- (viii) Somme, Offensive;
- (ix) Oise-Aisne;
- (x) Ypres-Lys;
- (xi) St. Mihiel;
- (xii) Meuse-Argonne;
- (xiii) Vittorio-Veneto;
- (xiv) Defensive Sector.

(3) The World War I Victory Medal service clasp is a bronze bar 1/8-inch by 1 1/2 inches with the name of the country which the service was performed inscribed thereon. The service clasps authorized are as follows:

- (i) England;
- (ii) France;
- (iii) Italy;
- (iv) Russia;
- (v) Siberia.

(4) The American Defense Service Medal clasp is a bronze bar 1/8-inch by 1 1/2 inches with the words "Foreign Service" and with a star at each end of the inscription.

(5) The Army of Occupation Medal clasp is a bronze bar 1/8-inch by 1 1/2 inches with the word "Germany" or "Japan" inscribed thereon, to denote occupation duty rendered in Europe and/or the Far East.

(6) The Antarctica Service Medal is a clasp bearing the words "Wintered Over" for wear on the suspension ribbon of the medal awarded in bronze for the first winter, in gold for the second winter, and in silver for the third winter.

(f) *Service stars.* Are worn on campaign and service ribbons to denote an additional award. The service star is a bronze or silver five-pointed star 3/16-inch in diameter. A silver star is worn instead of five bronze service stars. The bronze service star is also affixed to the parachutist badge to denote participation in a combat parachutist jump, retroactive to December 7, 1941. See § 578.74 on Parachutist badges for